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HUGHES AND FAIRBANKS.

(From The New York Times.)
The nomination of Theodore Roosevelt by the Republicans would have had a meaning clear to every American mind. That candidacy would have raised high and made visible the issue of opposition to Woodrow Wilson on the only grounds that make it capable of statement. It would have meant that in the judgment of the Republican party the United States ought now to be engaged in the European war, that it ought to be at war with Mexico, or as a conquerer actually in possession of that country. The nomination of Mr. Hughes must bear to foreign observers a bewildering likeness to an express indorsement of the administration of Woodrow Wilson. He is a man of the same type, conservative, deliberate, accustomed to consider carefully the consequences of his acts, never rash, never yielding to hasty impulses or swayed by the heat of passion, yet with inferior in capacity and experience. It is impossible to imagine Mr. Hughes as President writing a message to Congress demanding a great war credit and instant naval and military preparation for a war with Germany because of the invasion of Belgium or the destruction of the Lusitania. The utmost stretch of fancy does not enable us to see him asking Congress on Mexico. The picture would be wholly imaginary, false to the man and the occasion.

Yet the Republicans have absolutely no other issue upon which with any degree of force and consistency they can demand of the people a withdrawal of their confidence in President Wilson. That issue they dare not raise. They condemn, they denounce, they use freely the adjectives of the language, but their nouns and verbs have no specific meaning. If Mr. Roosevelt's denunciations of the administration mean anything at all, they mean that he would have gone to war with Germany, that he would have gone to war with Mexico. That is the popular understanding of what he is driving at. He was the indicated and logical candidate, the only candidate by whose nomination the Republicans would have clearly manifested their aversion to Mr. Wilson's policy of peace, their preference for a policy of war. Even Mr. Roosevelt's words, while they fill the air with the din of many explosions, leave no distinct impress on the mind. President Wilson, he says, "has rendered to his people the most evil service that can be rendered to a great democracy by a chosen leader." By not going to war with four monarchies and one republic? His words raise no other issue against Mr. Wilson that the mind of the people could grasp. To have put him before them as a candidate, with loud outcries for war upon his lips and a platform denouncing the administration for not plunging the country into war would have put the Republicans into the campaign with a definable issue.

The candidate they have chosen has of necessity been speechless. He now says: "I stand for the firm and unflinching maintenance of all the rights of American citizens on land and on sea." Would Mr. Hughes have gone to war about the Lusitania, or would he have maintained unflinchingly the rights of American citizens on land and sea, as Mr. Wilson has maintained them by the peaceful methods of diplomacy? The President has forced Germany to acknowledge the right of our citizens to travel upon the seas in safety and without

A Little Mexican History.

Taylor, with 5,000 Americans defeated Santa Anna, with 20,000 Mexicans at the battle of Buena Vista.

Scott captured the City of Mexico with 6,000 men.

Doniphan, with less than a thousand men, defeated 1,200 Mexicans at Bracito river and later, with a force reduced to 924 men, routed 4,000 Mexican soldiers strongly entrenched and provided with great stores of ammunition and arms.

Against the 12,000 American soldiers in Mexico are 30,000 to 35,000 Carranzista troops. The disadvantage justifies some uneasiness. But in the light of history, we need entertain no troubling as to the outcome. There is no reason to believe that the Mexican under Obregon is more of a soldier than he who served with Santa Anna.

molestation. In Heaven's name, what more could Mr. Hughes have done? Had we gone to war, Germany would now be destroying every enemy passenger ship upon all waters where her submarines could hold their way, and we could ask no redress. "In our foreign relations," he says, "we have suffered incalculably from the weak and vacillating course which has been taken with regard to Mexico." Weakness and vacillation would never have wrung from Germany her consent to abandon methods of warfare which her government and a great part of her people believe to be well justified and essential to the success of her arms. Mr. Hughes's statement is preposterous, his criticism flat and feeble. As his part in an agreement, with Oyster Bay it can be understood, but inevitably he lays himself open to the inevitable question: "Pray, what would you have done?" and that question he will never answer.

Not less pointless are the candidate's observations on Mr. Wilson's course with Mexico. It was "lamentably wrong," says Mr. Hughes. He must tell the country what course would have been right, and then prove that it would have been more successful than Mr. Wilson's course. Apparently, he would have recognized Huerta. We sought to dictate, he says when we were not concerned. How would it have helped matters to set up the pretense of friendly relations with that old devotee to brandy and usurpation? Responsibility for our relations with Mexico would have made Mr. Hughes more cautious about his language. Minor troubles there were inevitable. The major trouble of war with Mexico was the only sure way to end them. Mr. Wilson has avoided war. Mr. Hughes also would have avoided it.

The Republicans want to get the Democrats out in order that they may get in—that is the only issue upon which they can speak boldly. They have no other. They select their candidates from a historical period long past. Mr. Hughes means nothing to the country save what would have been meant by any other chosen among forty silent men. The candidacy of Mr. Fairbanks means nothing more than the hope of winning the electoral votes of Indiana and a few other states where he is held in esteem by men who are unaware that anything has happened since 1900. Platform and candidates are a confession that the Republican party, striving to heal its hurts and strike a successful bargain for the return to its household of those who sought to destroy it, has no new or vital message to deliver to the American

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In a lecture at one of the Des Moines, Iowa, churches a missionary from India told of going into the interior of India, where he was taken sick, that he had a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy with him and believed that it saved his life. This remedy is used successfully in India both as a preventative and cure for cholera. You may know from this that it can be depended upon for the milder forms of bowel complaint that occur in this country. Obtainable everywhere.

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people.
Praise without reservation or qualification is due to Mr. Hughes for his clear, sound and admirable words upon Americanism and preparedness. "I stand for an Americanism that knows no ulterior purpose," he says, "for a patriotism that is single and complete. Whether native or naturalized, of whatever race or creed, we have but one country, and we do not for an instant tolerate any division of allegiance." There is no ambiguity about that declaration, no room is left for doubt. Mr. Hughes has done his part to take the hyphen out of American politics. The Democrats cannot do less, they will make overtures for the support of voters with a divided allegiance only at their peril. Fortunately, Mr. Wilson has spoken with no less directness and sterner emphasis in taking the same position. Mr. Hughes declares his belief in preparedness "entirely adequate for our defense with respect to numbers and equipment in both army and navy," and that is Mr. Wilson's position. For the advocates of national defenselessness upon the one hand and for those who are in sympathy with the purposes of German militarism upon the other, there will be no place in this campaign unless they put forward a candidate of their own.

A Nation's Sorrow.

One great man to a nation—great in his own profession which chances at the tragic moment to be the vitally important profession—there is a pathos in his very solitude of grandeur, suggested in the lines of the Associated Press chronicler: Kitchener was the one outstanding personality whom the people believed in as a great man. This man cut off suddenly, dramatically, without warning; we have a picture of a nation in sorrow, a nation in grief.

If it be true that great men are measured by their detractors as towers by their shadows, by this rule, also we must accord a high grandeur to the character of Britain's taciturn warrior, and by it are the people justified in the surrender of their imagination to this imposing figure which they have surrounded with all the glamor of military romance. To them he was the plumed knight, the soldier of spotless soul, profound wisdom and invincible will. And the world has held this high appraisal of his people fully won.

The outside world has, however, been less sympathetic, toward and more critical of the great war, holding that the tasks committed to his hands were too great for it, too great, perhaps, for any man, has perceived a long succession of fatal blunders. Yet perhaps the judgement of posterity will be more kindly. If it required the most terrible lessons to demonstrate the kind of ammunition needed, if munitions were slow of production and if thousands of England's best yielded up their lives because of this tardiness, yet a vast army has been created and organized, for the one nation in a conflict of many that was not already provided with a great army. History may rate this task a fitting climax to a life of masterly achievement.—Greensboro News.

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How to Feel Good Tomorrow.

Indigestion quickly develops sick headache, biliousness, bloating, sour stomach, gas on stomach, bad breath or some of the other conditions caused by clogged or irregular bowels. If you have any of these symptoms, take a Foley Cathartic Tablet this evening and you will feel better in the morning. M. B. Blackburn.

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The wise man does no wrong in changing his habits with the times.—Dionysius Cato.

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The great end of life is not knowledge but action.—Huxley

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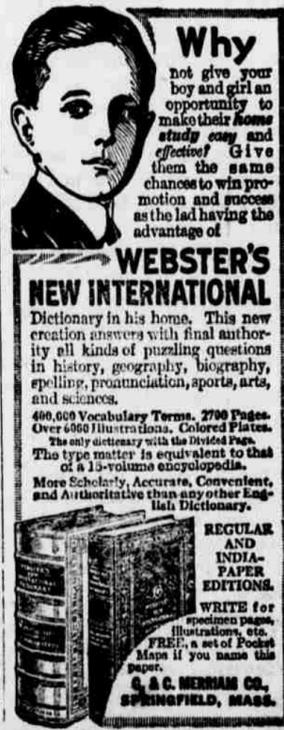
North Carolina Watauga county In the Superior court, before the clerk, John Mast vs. Clarence Mast, Inez Mast, Oscar Mast, Hattie Mast, Joe Mast, Jacob Mast and Nora Mast.

Clarence Mast, one of the defendants above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior court of Watauga county for the purpose of selling certain real estate for partition, said real estate being fully described in the petition in this cause; and the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior court of said county at his office in Boone, on the 15 day of July, 1916 and answer or demur to the petition of the plaintiffs or the relief therein demanded will be granted. This June 15th, 1916.

W. D. Farthing, C. S. C.

Entry Notice No. 2537.

State of North Carolina, Watauga county office of entry taker for said county Jacob Potter locates and enters 500 acres of land in North Fork and Meat camp township on the head waters of North fork of New River and Meat camp creek, beginning on a bunch of luns the n w corner the Elk Knob copper company 100 acre tract and runs E S and W with same to the S W corner of same thence with Kay and Potter entry to John Winebarger then with John Winebarger to Wood rings then with Woodrings, to Prof fits, Barkers, Tatums, Pattersons, Browns, Snyders, Hortons, Abe Pot ters, John Mains, then to Kay and Potters entry, thence with same to Elk Knob, then N with same to the beginning. Entered June 13, 1916. H. J. HARDIN, E. T.



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